Mr. K. Madhava Kurup (*Registrar of Co-operative Societies*): Government have arrived at the following decisions on the recommendations of the Advisory Committee for the rehabilitation of the Co-operative movement :—

(1) A loan of Rs. one lakh may be advanced to the Central Co-operative Bank secured on 50 per cent of the total assets of the movement, interest being charged at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent per annum. The loan may be repaid with accumulated interest in eight annual equated instalments commencing after five years of the payment of the first instalment.

(2) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies may be appointed Ex-Officio Chairman of the Central Co-operative Bank with powers of veto on the decisions of the Board of Management of the Bank as it will be necessary to exercise strict and effective control over the transactions of the Bank.

(3) To assist the Registrar in his additional work an Executive Assistant may be appointed temporarily for one year on a pay not exceeding Rs. 150 per mensem. As this appointment will render the present post of the Honorary Secretary of the Bank superfluous, the cost on account of the Executive Assistant may be met equally by the Government and the Bank.

(4) The name of the Bank may be changed into the Travancore Central Co-operative Bank, Ltd.

(5) There is no harm in retaining or freshly admitting individual members on the distinct understanding that no loans will be granted to them except on the security of their own deposits.

(6) The financing of the primary societies may be done by the Central Co-operative Bank direct.

(7) As a multiplicity of financing banks called Taluk Banks is unnecessary, the primary societies may, in the first instance, be transferred together with their assets and liabilities to the Central Bank and the Taluk Banks may then be abolished after handing over to the Travancore Credit Bank all long-standing loans granted on property security.

(8) In order to determine the financial condition of these societies ten Inspectors on Rs. 40 with a P. T. A. of Rs. 24 each per mensem may be appointed for one year, the expenditure on this account being met equally by the societies concerned and the Government.

Revision of the Civil Courts Guide.

27 ***Mr. James Fletcher** (*Kalkulam and Vilavankod* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date on which the revision of the Civil Courts Guide was started:

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(*b*) whether the said revision is completed now ;

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the negative, at what stage the revision of the Civil Courts Guide now stands ; and

(*d*) the steps taken for the completion of the same ?

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*) : (*a*) On 5-11-1116.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Part III and major portions of Parts I and II have been completed.

(*d*) The work was discontinued on 24-3-1942 and was resumed on 8-3-1943.

Mr. James Fletcher ; With reference to the answer to part (d) that the work was discontinued on 24-3-42 and was resumed on 8-3-43, may I know what steps have been taken further ?

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai : It is now ready.

Appointment in the Education Department.

28. ***Mr. James Fletcher** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there has been any direct Government appointment in the English School section of the Education Department within the last 3 months ;

(*b*) if so, the name of the individual or individuals and the age

(*c*) whether the appointment was made as special preference to the individual or to the community to which he belongs ; and

(*d*) what is the initial salary on which he is entertained in Government service ?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*d*) A statement is laid on the table. (*Vide* Appendix I.)

(*c*) Sry. M. Shanmugham Ammal and Mr. P. T. Joseph were appointed as special cases in consideration of their qualifications and the community to which each belongs.

Sry. L. Sankari Ammal was appointed, as the Public Service Commissioner reported that there was no qualified female candidate for the post.

Distribution of local paddy purchased by the State.

29. ***Mr. James Fletcher** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any quantity of paddy purchased by the State through the Chief Food Grains Purchase Officer was sent out of the State by the Government ;

(*b*) how long the paddy purchased from the State will last for distribution under the present ration system.

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